

County Council Of Howard County, Maryland

2011 Legislative Session

Legislative Day No. 8

Resolution No. 116-2011

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION designating the area surrounding and including the Savage MARC Station as a Transit-oriented Development in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order 01.01.2009.12 and State law.

Introduced and read first time July 5, 2011.

By order Stephen LeGendre
Stephen LeGendre, Administrator

Read for a second time at a public hearing on July 18, 2011.

By order Stephen LeGendre
Stephen LeGendre, Administrator

This Resolution was read the third time and was Adopted ☒, Adopted with amendments ☐, Failed ☐, Withdrawn ☐, by the County Council on July 28, 2011.

Certified By Stephen LeGendre
Stephen LeGendre, Administrator

Approved by the County Executive August 1, 2011

Ken Ulman
Ken Ulman, County Executive

NOTE: [[text in brackets]] indicates deletions from existing law; TEXT IN ALL CAPITALS indicates additions to existing law; Strike-out indicates material deleted by amendment; Underlining indicates material added by amendment

1 **WHEREAS**, Title 7, Subtitle 1 of the Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of
2 Maryland requires that the Maryland Secretary of Transportation designate a Transit-Oriented
3 Development (“TOD”) and that the local government adopt a resolution in support of the
4 designation; and

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6 **WHEREAS**, the area surrounding and including the Savage MARC Station, as shown in
7 the attached Exhibit A (the “Project”), is a proposed mixed-use TOD with a development plan
8 that has been approved by Howard County and is located in a TOD zoning district in Savage,
9 Howard County, Maryland; and

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11 **WHEREAS**, the Project will be a mix of private and public parking, commercial and
12 residential uses and infrastructure and facilities to serve a variety of mixed uses; and

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14 **WHEREAS**, the Project is part of a deliberate development plan and strategy for meeting
15 and expanding passenger train service from the existing Savage MARC station and its
16 development is being coordinated with the Maryland Department of Transportation; and

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18 **WHEREAS**, the Project (1) is located on the parking lot adjacent to the existing MARC
19 station, (2) includes a transit station as defined in Section 7-101 of the Transportation Article of
20 the Annotated Code of Maryland, and (3) will incorporate public and private components on and
21 adjacent to land owned by the State of Maryland; and

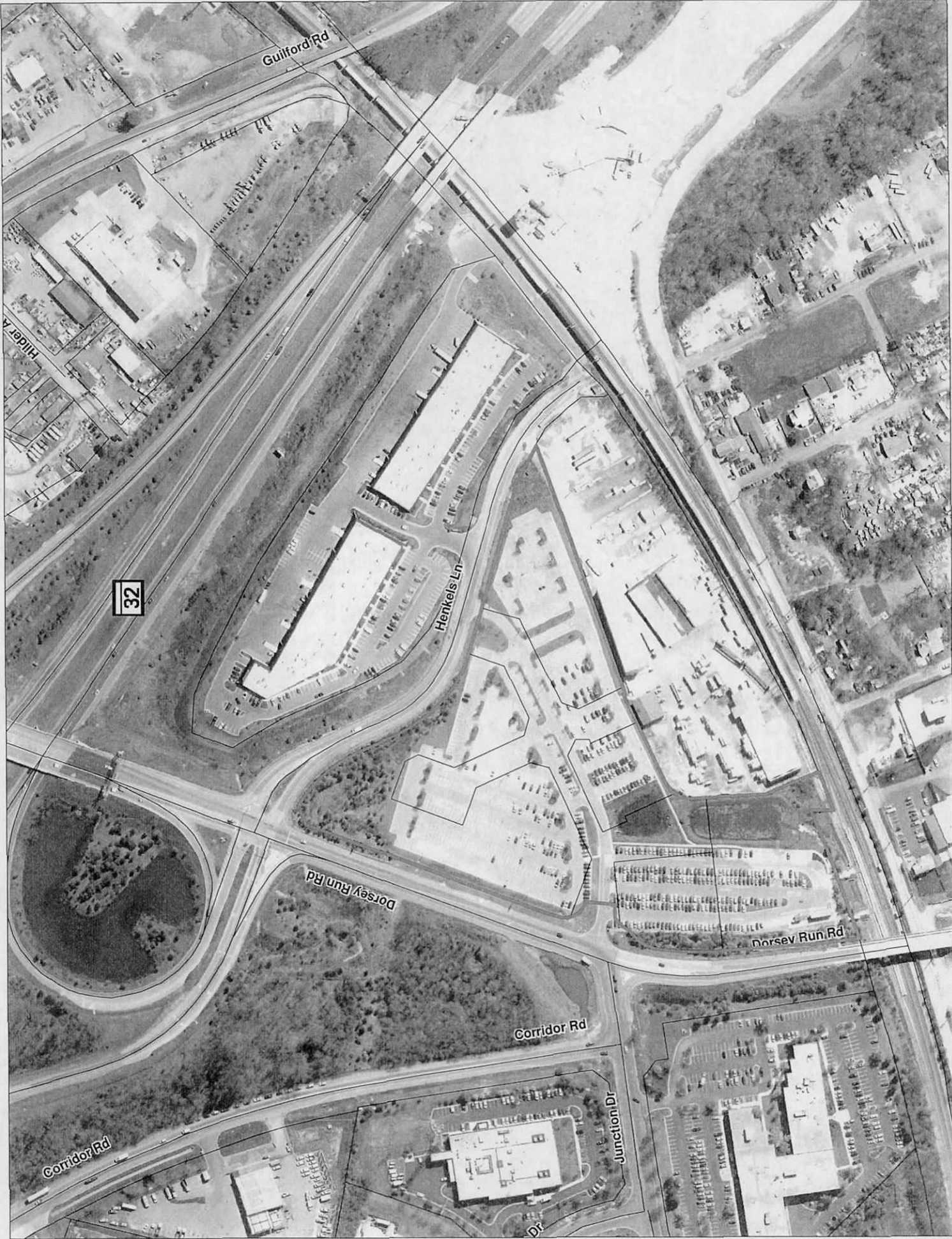
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23 **WHEREAS**, on June 18, 2010 the Maryland Secretary of Transportation designated the
24 Project as one of the fourteen TODs in Maryland, with the approval of Governor’s Smart Growth
25 Sub-Cabinet in consultation with the Maryland Secretaries of Business and Economic
26 Development, Housing and Community Development, the Environment, Planning, and General
27 Services; and

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29 **WHEREAS**, this designation by Howard County represents a TOD designation pursuant
30 to Maryland Governor’s Executive Order 01.01.2009.12 entitled “Locating State Facilities to
31 Stimulate Transit-Oriented Development” as well as provisions of the Annotated Code of

1 Maryland including but not limited to the Economic Development and the Housing and
2 Community Development Articles; and

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4 **WHEREAS**, Howard County's designation could potentially bring the project
5 prioritization for funds and resources, financing assistance, prioritization for tax credits,
6 prioritization for the location of State offices, support from State agencies regarding station
7 access and related infrastructure needs.

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9 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Council of Howard County,
10 Maryland this 28th day of July, 2011 that the Project is designated as a Transit-
11 Oriented Development in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order 01.01.2009.12 and
12 the Transportation Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland.





Howard County

Internal Memorandum

Subject: Resolution Supporting the Designation of the Savage TOD
As a State Transit Oriented Development

To: Lonnie Robbins
Chief Administrative Officer

Through: Marsha McLaughlin, Director *mm*
Department of Planning and Zoning

From: Stephen Lafferty *SL*
Department of Planning and Zoning

Date: June 20, 2011

The Department of Planning and Zoning supports Council Resolution _____-2011 which indicates that Howard County supports the designation of the Savage Transit Oriented Development ("TOD") development by the State of Maryland as a Transit Oriented Development.

Background

Petrie Ross Ventures is developing a project in Savage with a mix of private and public parking, commercial and residential uses as a transit oriented development ("TOD"). This project is being developed on land formerly owned by the State of Maryland that is used as a parking lot for MARC rail service. It is adjacent to Route 32, Dorsey Run Road and Henkels Lane. The county has worked closely with the developer, including the authorization for Tax Increment Financing (TIF) to support the funding of the MARC parking garage on the site.

In June, 2010, in accordance with the Maryland Transportation Article, the Secretary of Transportation designated Savage as one of fourteen state acknowledged TODs in Maryland. This designation was done with the approval of the governor's Smart Growth Sub-Cabinet in consultation with the Maryland Secretaries of Business and Economic Development, Housing and Community Development, Planning, the Environment and General Services. The designation is also pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order entitled "Locating State Facilities to Stimulated Transit-Oriented-Development" as well as other provisions in Maryland law.

This designation is consistent with the State's legislative policy that TODs are essential for the state's economic welfare and vitality and to alleviate current and future traffic congestion. By designating Savage, the state may provide:

- Prioritization for funds and resources
- Financing assistance
- Prioritization for tax credits and the location of state facilities, and
- Support from state agencies

